

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 741

By Kane

A RESOLUTION to honor Aaron Templeton of Hardin Valley Academy for his outstanding success in cross country.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those student-athletes who have performed their duties with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm and who, through their magnificent exploits, have brought honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy individual is Aaron Templeton of Hardin Valley Academy whose achievements as a cross country athlete are truly remarkable; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Templeton followed up his 2012 State title by going undefeated in the 2013 regular season to claim the 2013 State title, following in the footsteps of his brother, Will, who won the State title in 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Templeton broke the state meet record by seventeen seconds in the 5,000 meters with a time of 15:10 and ran the 3,200 meter race in 8:54, the best time in the country; and

WHEREAS, the winner of the Footlocker South Regional 5k, with an impressive time of 14:36, Aaron Templeton is one of the forty best cross country athletes in the country and qualified for the Footlocker National Championship in which he ran an excellent race to finish ninth; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Templeton's performances at the Footlocker National Championship in 2012 and 2013 earned him two top ten national finishes and two cross country All-American certificates; and

WHEREAS, in March, Aaron Templeton will compete at the New Balance Indoor National Championships in New York City where he seeks to earn his second track and field All-American certificate; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Templeton's ability, success, and strength of character make him a fine ambassador for all Tennessee student-athletes, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and recognize Aaron Templeton for his remarkable cross country season, congratulate him on his many athletic triumphs, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.